

Immigrant Women Walk 100 Miles to Greet Pope in Washington



Washington, September 22 (RHC)-- As Pope Francis arrives in Washington, D.C., a group of 100 women, many of them undocumented, are also set to arrive in D.C. after marching 100 miles from a detention center in York, Pennsylvania, in order to greet the pope.

Domestic worker Silvia Gonzalez, who is walking with the group, told reporters that the march is intended to send a message that families belong together and should not be separated by U.S. immigration policies.

The Pope had reportedly wanted to begin his U.S. trip by crossing the Mexican border, but the plan had to be scrapped for logistical reasons. In January, Pope Francis said: "To enter the United States from the border with Mexico would be a beautiful gesture of brotherhood and support for immigrants."

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